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GRA Emergency Team

1. It is requested that the Geographic Research Area "Emergency Team" be revised as follows:

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b. Add:

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2. The objectives of the changes are as follows:

a. To recognize the likelihood of double-shift operation in the event of a true emergency.

b. To provide for the availability of specialized knowledge on all areas of the world.

c. To provide insurance against the likelihood that some team members will not survive and reach the Relocation Site.

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3. The proposed new Team list meets these objectives by doubling the cartographic force; providing specialist coverage for Europe, Near East, Africa, and Western Hemisphere, each of which was lacking in the previous list; and including two representatives from each Geography Division area Branch. One person is added from Map Library Division because of that Division's increased coordination responsibilities.

4. It is not intended to increase that portion of the Team which is employed in practice alerts. Selection of such personnel will be made at the time by Ch/G. Similarly, it is expected that surviving Team members will stay at the Relocation site only as actual work requires and sleeping shifts permit. Excess personnel are expected to join the miscellany of Agency survivors who will be rounded up in preparation for subsequent expanded operations.

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